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**IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE**

In re application of:

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Application No.: 09/818,039

Filed: March 26, 2001

For: METHOD AND SYSTEM FOR  
QUERYING DATABASE, AS WELL AS  
A RECORDING MEDIUM FOR  
STORING A DATABASE QUERYING  
PROGRAM

Customer No.: 20350

Confirmation No. 1354

Examiner: Thuy N. Pardo

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Sir:

In response to the Final Office Action mailed June 23, 2004 on the above-referenced application, please enter the following amendments and remarks:

**Amendments to the Claims** are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 2 of this paper.

**Remarks/Arguments** begin on page 9 of this paper.